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# Pollen, allergies and adaptation

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#### **Abstract:**

This chapter is dedicated to the problem of plant-induced human allergy and to a specific way of adaptation to it via short-to-mid-term forecasts of atmospheric pollen concentrations and following pre-emptive and preparatory measures. It starts from the introduction to the subject, then considers the main forms of human plant-related allergy. Then, basics of pollination ecology are introduced and the mechanisms and possible models for pollination are presented. Apart from the standard local-scale effect of pollination, the chapter considers the long-distance transport of pollen and outlines the methodology for its quantitative evaluation and forecasting. The final section is dedicated to possible adaptation measures in changing climate.

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### **Resource Description**

#### Exposure: M

weather or climate related pathway by which climate change affects health

Air Pollution, Temperature

Air Pollution: Allergens

**Temperature:** Fluctuations

Geographic Feature:

resource focuses on specific type of geography

None or Unspecified

Geographic Location: M

resource focuses on specific location

Global or Unspecified

Health Impact: M

specification of health effect or disease related to climate change exposure

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Respiratory Effect

Respiratory Effect: Upper Respiratory Allergy

mitigation or adaptation strategy is a focus of resource

Adaptation

Resource Type: **☑** 

format or standard characteristic of resource

Review

Resilience: M

capacity of an individual, community, or institution to dynamically and effectively respond or adapt to shifting climate impact circumstances while continuing to function

A focus of content

Timescale: **™** 

time period studied

Time Scale Unspecified